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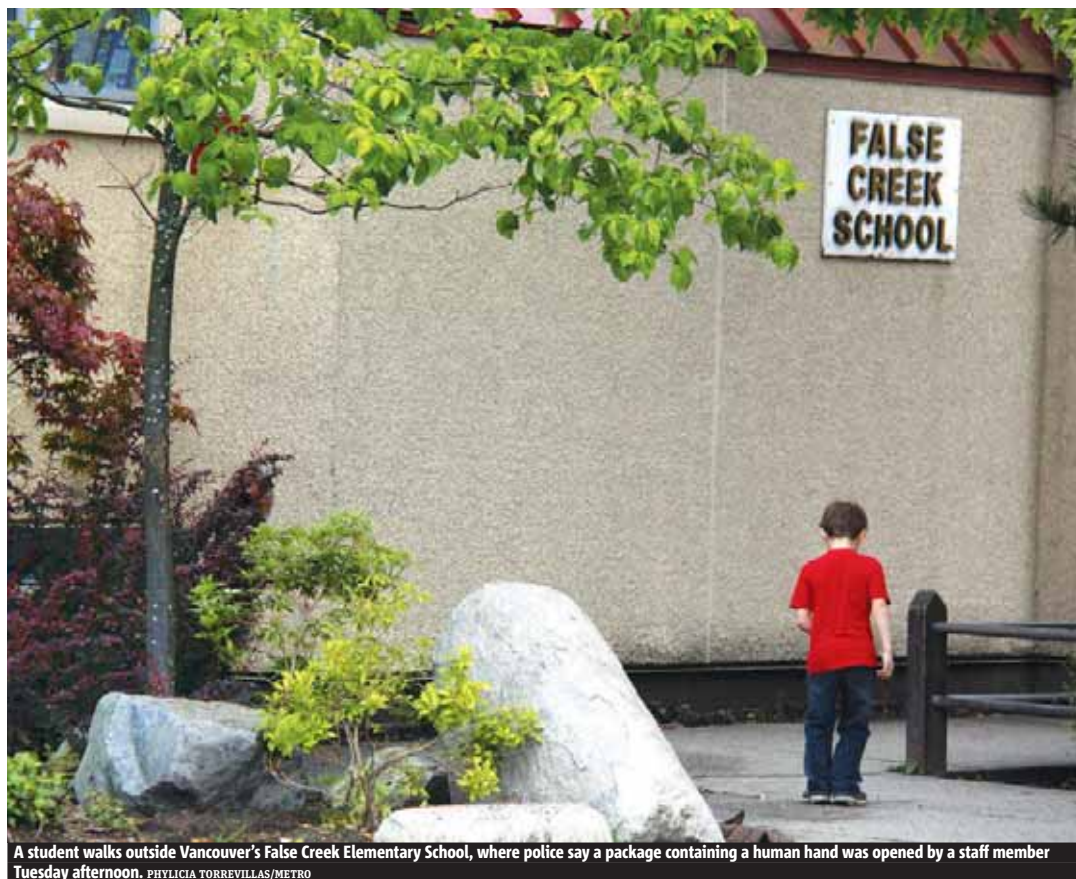
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Body parts sent to city schools



A student walks outside Vancouver's False Creek Elementary School, where police say a package containing a human hand was opened by a staff member Tuesday afternoon. PHYLICIA TORREVILLAS/METRO

Grisly packages.

Students were let out at their normal time and classes are expected to resume today

Police in Vancouver are working with Montreal investigators after human body parts were sent to two local schools Tuesday.

Vancouver Police Department Deputy Chief Warren Lemcke confirmed the gruesome finds, but warned it was too early to speculate whether the incidents are related to the bizarre mutilation case involving the now-notorious Luka Rocco Magnotta.

"I can't link it to anything right now," said Lemcke. "We have liaised with Montreal and we will liaise with any other police agencies we need to in the course of this investigation. I can't discuss it any more than that."

Police also did not say whether this could be a copycat crime.

One package contained a human hand and was opened by staff at False Creek Elementary School around 1 p.m.

A foot was discovered inside a second package about an hour later at St. George's private school.

"The remains will be exam-

ined by the coroner and there is no indication about the identity at this stage of the investigation," said Lemcke.

Investigators' first course of action is to identify the victim and find out where the packages were mailed from.

Magnotta was the subject of an international hunt this week after he allegedly killed a man in Montreal and mailed his body parts to political offices in Ottawa. He was arrested in Berlin on Monday.

Vancouver School Board spokesperson Kurt Heinrich said students weren't put at risk during the incidents and were not in contact with the packages.

"We're going to make sure that people affected by this situation receive any of the support that they need," Heinrich said.

Local parents were left dumbfounded by the incidents.

"It's very odd that this is happening after (the Magnotta case)," said Joseph Pinheiro, who has a five-year-old son studying at the school next to False Creek Elementary. "Is it related probably is my first question, and if it's not then that's even more concerning because some other person out there is doing this.... Why would they send it to schools?"

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Alleged assault

Out-of-cream Starbucks leaves man foaming

Abbotsford police are investigating a man for uttering threats and assault after he allegedly threw an outrageous tantrum at a Starbucks coffee shop.

Police say the man walked into the café last Wednesday afternoon to order a coffee, and lost his cool in a very sudden and unexpected way when he found out the store was out of cream.

"His response was pretty unbelievable," said APD spokesperson Const. Ian MacDonald. "He launches a verbal assault on a female employee and it culminates with him throwing what appears to be water in her face."

MacDonald said the employee — who was uninjured but shaken up by the ordeal — tried to offer milk instead, but had no warning the man was about to explode.

"If that's what makes you grumpy, look out, world, I guess," said MacDonald. "This girl was just doing her job and to have water thrown at her face is unacceptable. She also felt very threatened by things said during the verbal tirade."

After the alleged assault, the man stormed back to his pickup truck and drove off.

Police are trying to track down the owner of the vehicle as they continue their investigation.

The employee was able to give investigators a description of the man's vehicle and his licence-plate number.

The store's security camera also recorded the incident.

MATT KIETLYKA/METRO



RCMP Insp. Tim Shields holds up photos of Angus David Mitchell during a news conference in Burnaby last Wednesday. Later that day, Mitchell, 26, was killed in a shootout with police officers who had tracked him down with the help of a woman who called 911. JONATHAN HAYWARD/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Serial shooter was on targeted hunt: Cops

List of targets. Angus Mitchell spent time gathering info about his six intended victims, police say about the man killed in shootout

The man suspected of killing two people in a sushi restaurant and shooting another man had detailed plans to target six businesses and six people across Metro Vancouver and Vancouver Island, police say.

Angus Mitchell, 26, was killed in a shootout last Wednesday with police officers who had tracked him down with the help of a woman who called 911.

If it hadn't been for that call, the consequences of Mitchell's hunt could have been "extreme," said Insp. Kevin Hackett.

"Mitchell appears to have spent time gathering information about his intended victims and planning his entry and escape routes from each location," said Hackett.

Susanne Murphy, a 41-year-old Maple Ridge resident, said at a news conference Tuesday she was driving her dog, Tuco, a shepherd-lab cross, to the end of the street for a walk when she saw Mitchell's van.

Just minutes before, she had heard a public warning on the radio describing the wanted van.

"I was really nervous," she said. "I didn't know if he was in

his van. I didn't know if he was walking around the area, in the wooded area."

Murphy said she drove to a dike at the end of the road and was told by 911 operators to stay there and detain anybody coming off the dike. She was at the dike for at least an hour before she was allowed to go home.

Meantime, police have also not yet definitively identified the firearm used in the shootings as the same firearm seized by Victoria police in February, said Pound.

Victoria police had said previously that they had dealt with Mitchell in a Mental Health Act incident in February, which resulted in the seizure of a firearm.

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Plan of attack

- Details of Mitchell's planned attacks included maps, addresses and phone numbers, but police are uncertain as to what motivated the attacks.
- The woman killed in the sushi restaurant and the restaurant itself were both on the list, but the male victim was not, said Sgt. Jennifer Pound.
- The victims were restaurant owner Huong (Andy) Tran, 36, and employee Chinh (Vivian) Diem Huyhn, 34, a single mother of a young daughter.

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Senior. Fine, probation for Kamloops man who admitted to poisoning dog

An 81-year-old Kamloops man has been fined and placed on probation after admitting to poisoning a dog that ventured onto his southern Interior hobby farm.

The provincial court judge hearing the case against Attilio Sirianni rejected a conditional discharge for the senior, saying the crime is too serious and deterrence is required.

Instead, Sirianni has been fined \$2,000 and placed on probation for one year.

The lawyer for Sirianni

says his client was trying to protect his chickens and cattle from coyote attacks in November 2010 when he placed a bowl of antifreeze-soaked bread crumbs above his chicken coop.

Mia, a five-year-old lab-cross living next door to the hobby farm, ate the tainted crumbs and died five days later after what veterinarians have described as a slow and agonizing death.

Sirianni is no longer farming and his son now operates the hobby farm.

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Inquiry. Vancouver police, RCMP blame each other for failure to catch Pickton

The two police forces that together failed to stop serial killer Robert Pickton have ended a public inquiry pointing their fingers at each other, leaving it to the inquiry's commissioner to sort out who to believe and who, if anyone, to blame.

The Vancouver police and the RCMP have both faced allegations that missteps by individual officers and apathy among senior management led to badly flawed investigations that were unable to stop Pickton, even as it became more likely that he was behind the disappearances of sex workers from the Downtown Eastside.

Both have offered apologies for not doing more, but neither will accept blame. The Vancouver police insist that the fault lies at the feet of the RCMP, while the Mounties argue the opposite.

The two forces were conducting separate but related investigations in the late 1990s and early 2000s: Vancouver into the disappear-

ances of sex workers, and the RCMP into Pickton as a potential suspect.

Vancouver police lawyer Tim Dickson told the inquiry that while police in the city investigated missing-person cases involving sex workers, the Mounties took responsibility for the investigation of Pickton because he lived in their jurisdiction.

"Coquitlam RCMP's failure to pursue the Pickton investigation with the vigour and the resources it required is really the heart of the police force's failings in relation to the tragedy of the missing women," said Dickson.

The RCMP, however, rejected the Vancouver Police Department's suggestion that the Mounties were solely responsible.

RCMP lawyer Cheryl Tobias said the two forces should have combined their efforts much earlier, but she said that didn't happen because Vancouver police were slow to realize the gravity of the investigation. THE CANADIAN PRESS



City of Vancouver engineer Devon Fitch explains the proposal to replace the Dunsmuir and Georgia viaducts to residents at an open house in the Woodward's Atrium Tuesday. KATE WEBB/METRO

Viaducts plan met with excitement, concerns

'The New Pacific.'
Most people at open house found to be happy with plan



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Transportation was the hot topic among Vancouverites who attended the first of three open houses encouraging discussion

and feedback on the city's plan to demolish the Dunsmuir and Georgia viaducts.

Under the proposal, Pacific and Expo boulevards would be merged and aligned with the SkyTrain tracks, creating room for more than 25 acres of uninterrupted parkland in north-east False Creek.

The replacement route into downtown, informally dubbed "The New Pacific" by city staffers, would only be able to carry 70 to 80 per cent of the rush-hour traffic that flows over the viaducts.

Still, an unscientific Metro survey conducted at the event in the Woodward's Atrium Tuesday found most people were happy with the plan.

"It's exciting," said Jo-Anna Gillespie, who lives on Union Street in Strathcona. "Defin-

itely we are hopeful that the viaducts will be taken down. I'm a little disappointed that they're not going to be more aggressive with the traffic. It's still going to be going up Prior, but they've assured us that they're going to develop the other routes so that the traffic will be dispersed when it's coming out of the city."

Brad Gough, who lives on Prior Street, was keen to see the area open up, but had also hoped for some traffic-calming measures in his neighbourhood.

"I don't think it will get worse, but I had really hoped it would get better," he said.

Vancouver's assistant director of central area planning, Kevin McNaney, said the city has determined the reduction in rush-hour traffic capacity is

Open houses

Two more open houses are scheduled to give residents the opportunity to ask questions and submit written feedback.

- Thursday, June 7: Creekside Community Centre, 3:30-6:30 p.m.
- Saturday, June 9: Central Library Promenade, 10 a.m.-2 p.m.

manageable because much of it can be accommodated by other corridors, such as West 2nd Avenue and Cambie Street.

Staff is expected to bring the plan forward to council on July 26. If approved, construction could be complete by 2016.

Williams Lake family grieves after baby boy dies in Kelowna

An eight-month-old boy has died in a motel room in Kelowna.

RCMP in the Okanagan city say the baby and other family members were visiting from Williams Lake.

The infant was found unconscious and not breathing

on Monday morning.

Paramedics administered CPR and rushed the baby to hospital but he could not be revived. Kelowna RCMP Const. Kris Clark says a preliminary investigation suggests the death is not suspicious.

But Clark says the motel

room was sealed off on Monday as officers continued to search for any evidence.

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Vancouver-made 'smart fur' makes New York Times list

Innovation. Device lets people with allergies to animals gain same benefits of having a live pet



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A Vancouver upgrade of man's best friend has made the New York Times Magazine's annual list of "innovations that will change your tomorrow."

Petting an animal has long been known to decrease stress or help improve a person's mental health. Now Anna Flagg, a UBC graduate student, has developed a "smart fur" that could let people allergic to animals or hospital patients get the same benefits of having a live pet.

Flagg said she's excited that the smart fur — created in collaboration with Dr. Karon MacLean at UBC's SPIN lab, a

group of students and faculty who design and build user interfaces — made the list. It joins other innovations from around the world, including a super-thin tooth sensor that sends an alert when it detects plaque buildup and a fabric (for T-shirts, pillowcases or office chairs) that doubles as a spare electrical outlet.

This is not the first time UBC aimed at improving robot-human interaction.

A "Haptic Creature" robo-bunny developed by Steve Yohanan at the University of B.C. in 2008 can partially stimulate an actual pet — it can breathe, has a pulse, can stiffen or relax, and move its ears. But people using the robotic pet need to be wired up to biometric sensors for it to pick up the user's emotions.

Flagg said the smart fur — a sensor made of conductive threads built into a thick, animal-like faux fur that can differentiate gestures such as a stroke, pat or squeeze — lets people use the robo-pet without being wired up to the



The smart fur has conductive threads that can detect a person's hand gesture — a pat, squeeze or stroke. COURTESY OF UBC'S SPIN LAB

sensors.

"What we're trying to do is to allow the haptic creature to be able to sense human emotion through the way it is being touched," she said, adding

it can recognize nine key emotional gestures.

"The goal is to provide therapeutic effects you can get from a real pet," Flagg said.

Hospital patients, elderly

people with Alzheimer's or other forms of dementias, and kids with anxiety disorders could benefit from using a robo-pet, since they won't be able to access the real thing,

she added.

Flagg said the next step will be integrating the smart fur into the robo-pet, which could be in stores in two to five years.

EyeSelect glasses give hope to ALS patients

A trio of enterprising BCIT students have invented an award-winning device that could help patients living with ALS communicate long after they have lost the ability to speak and control a computer mouse.

The eyeSelect system consists of a camera with a low-resolution sensor and processor mounted onto a pair of glasses, which tracks the user's eye movements and replaces the function of a mouse without blocking their vision.

"One of the things that is

most preserved (in people losing motor control due to ALS) is the function of the eye, so we decided to look into any sort of eye-tracking technology out there," explained Alan Kwok, one of the biomedical engineering students who designed the system.

Eye-tracking systems have been used for years to help patients with ALS and other physical disabilities, but Kwok and his partners, Benny Chik and Alex Sayer, wanted to develop one that doesn't use

Hope

"Having something like this, you've got this to look forward to, and so do other patients down the road."

Alan Janzen, ALS patient, claiming the eyeSelect provides hope

infrared radiation, for safety reasons. They also wanted to make them more affordable.

Infrared eye-tracking systems cost anywhere from \$7,000 to \$15,000, while the eyeSelect system costs just \$110.

Alan Janzen, a 54-year-old former auto mechanic who was diagnosed with ALS in November 2010, was the first patient to test the eyeSelect. He has been helping the students troubleshoot and adapt the technology since January, and said working with them has given him new purpose.

"You go through bouts of depression with this like you

would with anything else, but having something like this, you've got this to look forward to, and so do other patients down the road," he said.

"When the day comes that I can't communicate anymore, there's no point in being there, so this extends it by I have no idea how long — could be months or years — where a person can still communicate through some of the devices they have here, and that is an absolutely huge thing."

The students' design won

first place in the annual Dr. Jim McEwen Excellence in Engineering Design Awards, handed out by the ALS Society of B.C. last month. They are working with the GF Strong Rehabilitation Centre to continue to improve the system for ALS patients, and plan to pursue careers as biomedical engineering technologists.

Their proud teacher, Bruno Jaggi, said they should have no problem getting jobs after they graduate in two weeks.

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Tory chief. Appeal court upholds protest-fishery fine for Cummins

British Columbia's top court has dismissed an appeal by Conservative party Leader John Cummins over a fine for taking part in a protest fishery 10 years ago.

Cummins was fined \$300 and was among nearly 50 people who dropped their nets at an aboriginal-only fishery in the Fraser River.

B.C. Appeal Court Justice Mary Newbury said in her decision Tuesday that the protesters would be better off trying to advance their position in the political arena, not the courts.

Cummins said he tried the political route for 20 years but a divisive government policy favours aboriginals who can fish for food, social and ceremonial reasons and sell their catch il-

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"We were wanting to get charged, hoping that the courts would do what the politicians hadn't done — that is, to rein in an out-of-control food, social and ceremonial fishery."

Conservative Leader John Cummins

legally.

He maintains Fisheries Department officials turn a blind eye when it comes to policing aboriginals who catch thousands more salmon than they're allowed.

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Deal. Enbridge claims majority First Nations support for pipeline

Almost 60 per cent of First Nations along the proposed Enbridge Northern Gateway pipeline route from Alberta to the B.C. coast have signed on to become part owners in the project.

The announcement by the company comes amid continued opposition from other First Nations during public hearings.

But Enbridge spokesman Paul Stanway says the 60 per cent figure proves the pipeline has aboriginal support and there isn't the wall of opposition their opponents have been claiming.

The 10 per cent equity-

sharing agreement for First Nations who signed the deal will allow them to share about \$280 million over 30 years.

The names of the aboriginal partners won't be released because of contractual agreements, but Stanway says that the support is split about evenly between Alberta and B.C. First Nations.

The pipeline proposal is about midway through public hearings, and in September formal hearings will begin where expert witnesses will testify.

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Court

Charges stayed against Surrey Mountie

Two assault charges against a Surrey Mountie have been stayed.

The stay was entered in Surrey provincial court in the case of Const. Imran Saeed because of a 30-month delay in his case coming to trial.

The constable was charged after an on-duty incident in May 2009 when he responded to a 911 call about a domestic disturbance.

Despite the stay, Saeed still faces a civil suit filed by one of the men he's accused of assaulting and he will also undergo an internal RCMP review.

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Hallucinogen

No sig of bath salts in province, says medical official

B.C.'s medical-health officer says a drug concoction known as bath salts hasn't shown up in this province yet.

However, Dr. Perry Kendall says he's worried news of an upcoming federal ban could make some people curious enough to try it.

MDPV, the violent hallucinogen being blamed in a face-eating attack in Miami, has shown up in Eastern Canada and Edmonton.

Ottawa announced Tuesday it hopes to have a ban on the drug in place by the fall.

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Putting her best fork forward

Blogger. Vancouver woman chosen to sample 365 Richmond restaurants in 365 days



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Lindsay Anderson has just scored a sweet gig.

The 27-year-old Vancouver resident beat out 1,506 international candidates to snag the Richmond foodie-blogger job as part of Tourism Richmond's 365 Days of Dining campaign.

Anderson says she landed her "dream job." She will be paid \$50,000 to eat out for the next 365 days in Richmond and blog about it.

"My entire life, I've absolutely loved food — loved cooking it, loved eating it and talking about it," she says.

Anderson says she has an eclectic food background.

She has been a head cook for a tree-planting camp, a baker and a film-set caterer. Last year, she completed her master's degree in food culture at the University of Gastronomic Sciences in Italy.

Anderson says she'll be seeking tips from locals on where to go. She'll be choosing from more than 400 Asian eateries, funky diners, Steveston's fresh seafood offerings and night-market eats.

"It's not just about the restaurants of Richmond, but also (being) in the community and experiencing the cultural side of it as



Vancouver resident Lindsay Anderson has been named by Tourism Richmond as its official foodie blogger. She will spend 365 days visiting and eating at 365 restaurants in Richmond. CONTRIBUTED/TOURISM RICHMOND

well," Anderson says, adding she's looking forward to tasting different kinds of dim sum, dumplings and sushi.

Anderson will also get a one-year membership

to the Richmond Olympic Oval, something she says she wants to take advantage of to help burn the calories she'll consume.

Anderson's first blog post will come out Thursday. To

read her foodie adventures, visit 365daysofdining.com.

Follow Phylcia Torrevillas on Twitter @ptorrevillas



Dispute over \$12.6M lotto ticket will head to full trial, says judge

A woman's claim for half of a \$12.6-million lottery jackpot will go to a full trial, a B.C. Supreme Court judge has ruled.

The Lotto 6/49 ticket was purchased at a Surrey market in November 2008 by Maria Fehr, allegedly using a \$20 bill given to her by her husband.

But Fehr's business partner at the time, Maria Ganguin, claims the ticket was purchased using funds from their catering business and should be shared between them.

The court heard the two women had an agreement that business funds could be used occasionally to purchase lottery tickets and they would split the winnings.

Ganguin initially conceded the lottery ticket was not purchased with business funds, even signing a waiver in 2008 confirming so at the request of the B.C. Lottery Corp.

Two years later, Ganguin sued for an equal share over suspicions that Fehr had bought the ticket using

money from their coffee-truck cash box.

Ganguin's suspicions were based on the fact that Fehr made the purchase while on her coffee-truck route.

Fehr and her husband applied for a summary trial, which would resolve the matter quickly based primarily on sworn statements.

In his ruling made last week, Justice Trevor Armstrong noted there was no independent evidence for either claim, but there were

small inconsistencies in Fehr's statements.

"Although Ms. Ganguin may have a steep uphill struggle to shake Ms. Fehr's credibility ... it is my view it would be unjust to deprive Ms. Ganguin of a full trial," said Armstrong.

Armstrong decided that the substantial amount of winnings involved and the relative simplicity of the matter justified settling the dispute with full witness testimony and cross-examination.

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Body-parts suspect back this week?

Arrested in Berlin.

Luka Rocco Magnotta told a judge in Germany he won't fight extradition to Canada

Alleged killer Luka Rocco Magnotta told a judge in Berlin Tuesday he will not fight his extradition from Germany to Canada.

Magnotta is wanted in Canada on several charges — including first-degree murder — in connection with the gruesome Montreal killing and dismemberment of Chinese national Jun Lin.

Police in Montreal, meanwhile, are still looking for several of Lin's body parts.

In Berlin, police spokesperson Stefan Redlich said Magnotta met with a German judge at police headquarters, where he was held in a 1.5-metre-by-five-metre cell overnight.

"(Magnotta) did not say anything about the case itself, but (when) asked about whether he would object to go back to Canada, he said no he wouldn't," Redlich said in a phone interview.

Magnotta will have to go



Montreal police officer Denis Mainville discusses Magnotta's arrest with reporters. GRAHAM HUGHES/THE CANADIAN PRESS

before a German court for an extradition hearing once Canada formally requests he return for trial.

That means Magnotta could be back in Canada as early as this week, according to authorities.

"This may speed up the (extradition) process, but on the other hand, he may

change his opinion any day," Redlich said.

"So we will see."

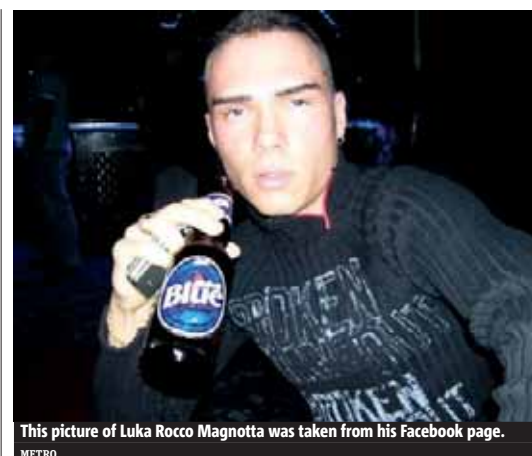
Magnotta was arrested Monday at a Berlin Internet café following an international manhunt.

He fled Montreal for Europe after Lin's death sometime overnight between May 24 and May 25.

The 33-year-old Lin's torso was found last week stuffed in a suitcase in an alley behind the west-end Montreal apartment building where Magnotta lived.

A hand and a foot were mailed in separate parcels to the offices of political parties in Ottawa.

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This picture of Luka Rocco Magnotta was taken from his Facebook page.

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Magnotta's photo makes Labatt feel Blue ... for a while

Labatt beer officials gulped when they saw the photo.

It showed alleged body-parts murderer Luka Rocco Magnotta holding a Labatt Blue beer bottle.

It was posted on the website of the Montreal newspaper The Gazette on Sunday.

But in a flurry of developments in less than 24 hours, Labatt threatened to sue The Gazette, was the subject of mockery in the online community, and then opted to drop the legal action.

"Once the Gazette explained their position, we promptly thanked them for their response, dropped the

matter and we will not be following up further," said Labatt VP of corporate affairs Charlie Angelakos.

Gazette lawyer Mark Bantey said the daily has no intention of replacing or removing the Magnotta photo.

It was retrieved from Facebook and holds a "news-worthy" component, he said.

Meanwhile, the meme "#newlabattcampaign" took on a life of its own on Twitter.

Hundreds of posts appeared, most mocking Labatt's position by creating morbid corporate slogan suggestions.

JOHN MATISZ/METRO

Stabbed his kids

Freedom in sight for killer

A former Quebec doctor who stabbed his two children 46 times but was found not criminally responsible must remain at a psychiatric hospital.

But Guy Turcotte will gradually be allowed more freedom.

Five experts ruled Tuesday that Turcotte must stay detained for at least six more months, but will be allowed some escorted outings.

After five months, he will be allowed to leave unescorted up to 16 hours a day and can stay overnight with family members.

The mental-health panel concluded that "the accused remains very fragile."

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Farm theft

Stolen tractor landed in manure

Thieves used a crappy hiding spot to stash a stolen tractor: A giant pile of manure 4.5 metres deep.

The RCMP in Fisher Branch, 150 kilometres northwest of Winnipeg, have two suspects in custody. METRO

MacKay's folly?

Photo op cost you \$47,000

A 2010 photo op to announce a plan to buy 65 stealth fighters cost taxpayers more than \$47,000, documents show. At the event, Defence Minister Peter MacKay posed with an F-35 mock-up.

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Non-stop debate

Tories in danger, NDP warns

Opposition parties are planning to force several days of non-stop Commons votes on amendments to the Harper government's massive omnibus bill.

New Democrats are warning the government could be defeated if Con-

servative MPs fall asleep at the switch at any point during the marathon session.

The government has put itself in peril by cramming controversial changes to some 70 different laws into the 400-plus-page budget bill, NDP House leader Nathan Cullen warned.

Cullen said: "They can't have members falling asleep, going home ... missing votes." THE CANADIAN PRESS



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Nigeria mourns, suspends airline's licence

Fear. Greater numbers of people living and working near landing strip are at risk

Mourners silently walked between rows of the dead from a plane crash in Nigeria that killed the 153 people aboard the airliner and others on the ground, peering into burned faces in hopes of claiming the

remains of their loved ones on Tuesday.

Those in grief passed by more than a dozen bodies able to be recognized by sight alone in a Lagos hospital parking lot. Onlookers wore surgical masks to block out the smell. As family members softly wept and held each other, Nigeria's government announced Tuesday it has indefinitely suspended Dana Air's licence, grounding the carrier that operated the MD-

83 airplane that crashed in the country's largest city and now faces widespread public anger.

"We are without eyes," said Jennifer Enanana, as she sobbed in the parking lot over the death of her younger brother in the crash. She had lost another brother within the year. "We don't have anybody that will protect us that can stand like a man and defend us. Dana stole him."

The MD-83 went down about nine kilometres from

Lagos' Murtala Muhammed International Airport. The area has grown dramatically over the decades, as Lagos surges toward becoming the largest city in Africa.

That population pressure has seen homes, business and industrial sites shoot up along the approach route used by aircraft. The population there is at risk with many aviation disasters in Nigeria over the last two decades.

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A rescue worker walks past the wreckage of a plane in Lagos, Nigeria, Monday. SUNDAY ALAMBA/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

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Syria. Aid workers let into conflict sites

Syria agreed to allow aid workers and supply convoys into four of its hardest-hit provinces, where at least one million people are in urgent need of aid because of injuries from the bloody civil conflict or the loss of homes and jobs, officials said Tuesday.

President Bashar Assad's government pledged in a written agreement to ease humanitarian access to the provinces even as the regime plunged itself into further international isolation by labelling a string of U.S. and European diplomats as unwelcome.

The deal requires Syria to provide visas to allow in an unspecified number of aid workers from nine UN agencies and seven other non-governmental organizations, and to cut through the bureaucratic red tape that has blocked con-

voys from delivering critically needed food, medicine and other supplies, said John Ging, operations director for the UN Office for the Coordination of Humanitarian Affairs.

But officials were quick to caution they will not declare success until the Assad regime delivers on its promises. Ging said he hopes it will be "days, not weeks" before the workers start filtering in and aid is delivered to the provinces of Daraa, Deir el-Zour, Homs and Idlib.

"Whether this is a breakthrough or not will be evident in the coming days and weeks and it will be measured not in rhetoric, not in agreements, but in action on the ground," Ging told reporters after emerging from a closed-door session in Geneva to discuss the dire humanitarian situation in Syria. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Norway

Extremists defend Breivik at trial

A handful of Norwegian right-wing extremists testified Tuesday in self-confessed killer Anders Behring Breivik's defence, backing his claims that Norway is "at war" with Islam.

The 33-year-old fears his ideology could be undermined if he is declared insane. Defence lawyers attempted to show that while there are people who share Breivik's world view, they are not declared mentally ill.

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Egypt

Mubarak grows ill days after verdict

The health of ousted Egyptian president Hosni Mubarak deteriorated sharply Tuesday, three days after a court sentenced him to life imprisonment in connection to killing of protesters.

The official at Cairo's Torah prison said that Mubarak collapsed several times and that he was placed on mechanical ventilation after having difficulty breathing. He says the condition worsened after a visit by wife Suzanne Mubarak on Monday.

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Canada's richest aren't all bankers

Study. Only a small portion of the country's highest salary earners work in finance, despite being the target of Occupy protesters

To be considered in Canada's richest one per cent, you need to make at least

\$230,000 a year. You're most likely male, have a university degree and work longer-than-average hours.

But you're not necessarily a banker or Bay Street investment broker — the primary targets of the Occupy protest movement — a new study by a group of economists at the University of British Columbia found.

Only 10 per cent of Canada's richest work in the financial industry, the study found.

The richest one per cent

- **Earnings:** \$452,887/year
- **Gender:** 82.7 per cent male
- **Occupation:** Senior management, doctors, dentists, vets, finance professionals

The rest are doctors, dentists, vets and corporate managers.

"In the eyes of many, the culprits are to be found at the very place where the Occupy movement started: on

Wall Street, or our own Bay Street," the study said.

"But there are just not enough investment bankers and high-flying stock brokers to fill the ranks of the

275,000 individuals in the top one per cent."

The top one per cent of Canadians now controls 14 per cent of total income, the paper found, noting that they enjoyed just eight per cent in the 1970s.

"Such an uneven distribution of income has not been seen since the dark days of the Great Depression when it reached an all-time high of 18 per cent," the paper notes.

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Economy

Global conditions have weakened: Bank of Canada

The Bank of Canada is holding off on raising interest rates for a while longer, citing worsening global conditions and an uneven Canadian recovery that is not quite as strong as advertised. The decision to keep the bank's overnight rate at one per cent was widely expected. **THE CANADIAN PRESS**



Ultrabook takes on iPad

Taiwan's struggling computer makers are promoting a new generation of ultra-thin laptops that might be their last hope of turning back the seemingly unstoppable momentum of Apple's iPad and other hot-selling tablets. The brainchild of Intel Corp., the laptop-tablet hybrid known as Ultrabook is only 20 mm thick. Taipei's Computex, the world's second-largest computer show, displayed more than a dozen 12- to 17-inch Ultrabook models powered by Intel's new generation of "Ivy Bridge" processors, which were unveiled in April.

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Now and then, someone comes into your life and then is gone again.

But not before she leaves muddy footprints all over your heart ...

It has been five years almost to the day that we had to put down our golden retriever, Cleo. She had cancer.

The night before she died, we decided to have a Cleofest.

We did all her favourite things. We went down to the creek at the end of the street. When we were both younger dogs, we would run the trails along the creek, stopping on the way to play the Stupid Rock Game.

Cleo was a retriever, but as time went on she increasingly relied on symbolic fetching. In *The Stupid Rock Game*, I threw a stone in the water, and Cleo nodded half-heartedly in the direction of the stone. Repeat ad nauseam. She could play the game all day, as I had to do the throwing. After a while I'd get tired of the Stupid Rock Game, and start to walk away. That would be her cue to plunge her head into the water, stay under for an alarming period of time, and then emerge, triumphant, with a giant rock in her jaws, which she would dump at my feet, a symbol for all the little

rocks she refused to retrieve.

On her last night, she came up with one mighty fine rock.

On the way back home, she managed to find something smelly to roll in — bonus — and when we got home my daughter got out the whipped cream in a spray can and gave her a mighty dose. If all dogs go to heaven, she was there a night early.

I don't know about your dog, but Cleo was The Best Dog Ever. She had the knack of making each person around her feel as if they were the one she loved best. Some dogs are one-person dogs; others are members of a family pack. Cleo was a world dog, the Chevy Cruze of dogs. She even loved postal workers.

She wasn't fussy. She even liked me. I'd be trying to read, ignoring the dog, even as she went through her entire repertoire of attractive-dog tricks: Baleful-puppy-stare-great-thumping-tail-roll-over-shake-a-paw-woof-impatiently. When none of that worked, she stuck her nose under my free hand and petted herself. Resourceful dog.

She even liked going to the vet. And this last time she must have thought: This is great. The guy gets to pat my head while they give me this needle.

Or maybe she knew. She knew everything else worth knowing.

She died with her head in my hands.

Weird news

Turkey break-in ruffles feathers

A LaSalle, Ont., resident arrived home Saturday evening to a smashed window, a mess in his living room and an unexpected feathery intruder waiting on his couch.

The break-and-enter was the doing of a giant turkey, which also left "poop" and "a blood spot the size of a 50-cent piece" in their living room.

Ken Stroud, 70, who had been out with his wife that day, was the first to spot the 18-inch hole in their window. He initially thought someone had thrown a

rock into their house, and walked unsuspectingly into his dark living room — until he saw something move.

"It's a wild turkey and it's sitting on the arm of my chesterfield," said Stroud about his calm 25-pound intruder. "He was sitting there as if he lived there."

"The wife was hysterical," said Stroud, who guarded his wife Mary while she made her way into one of the rooms.

Stroud says the humane society captured the bird quickly, with just a net and blanket. They've been told the bird is doing well and will be released back into the wild.

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Last-place finish, first-class sportsmanship



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Running the good race

Athlete pushes flagging rival over finish line

Meghan Vogel of West Liberty-Salem, right, helps Arden McMath of Arlington to the finish line after McMath collapsed yards short in the DIII 3,200-metre final of the Ohio High School Athletic Association state track meet at Jesse Owens Stadium in Columbus, Ohio, last Saturday.

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She ain't heavy

- Vogel had won an earlier race, but was in last place in the 3,200-metre run as she caught up to McMath, whose body was giving out.
- Instead of zipping past McMath to avoid the last-place finish, Vogel put McMath's arm around her shoulders, dragged her the final few metres and pushed her competitor over the finish line before crossing it herself.

On the right track

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Number of metres Vogel hauled McMath before sending her opponent over the finish line first.



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Scene in brief

Whitney Houston's mother to pen memoir

Whitney Houston's triumphant, heartbreaking life is being remembered in a book by her mother, singer Cissy Houston.

Houston has a deal with HarperCollins for a memoir it says will reveal the story of her Grammy Award-winning daughter, who died in a Beverly Hills, Calif., hotel bathtub in February at age 48. HarperCollins announced Monday that the book is scheduled to come out next February. A portion of the proceeds will be donated to the New Hope Baptist Church in Newark, N.J., where Whitney Houston sang as a child and where her funeral was held.

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On the web



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Michael Fassbender plays David 8, a synthetic human automaton ancestor of Alien's Ash, in the upcoming film *Prometheus*. HANDOUT

Prometheus, a prequel or not a prequel to Alien?

Space opera.

Screenwriters call Ridley Scott's newest film 'an Alien/Blade Runner mash-up'



IN FOCUS
Richard Crouse
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Prometheus, a prequel, or not a prequel? That is the question.

It's a query many have made about the new Ridley Scott space opera. The trailer looks

and feels like a chronological cousin to his 1979 classic sci-fi horror epic *Alien* but the director denies it is a prequel.

Here's what we know. When Scott sat down to write *Prometheus* (with screenwriters Jon Spaihts and Damon Lindelof, who calls it "an Alien/Blade Runner mash-up") he had a prequel in mind featuring Xenomorphs, the acid-tongued space baddies who gave the first movie its name, and the giant dead alien nicknamed Space Jockey. But then he veered off into something larger; mankind's origin story.

"Out of the creative process emerged a new, grand

mythology," he said. "The keen fan will recognize strands of Alien's DNA ... but the ideas tackled in this film are unique, far-reaching and provocative."

Still, *Prometheus*, which is set in the same universe as *Alien*, seems to provide the backstory which points forward to the original film.

Firstly, *Prometheus* is set in 2085, 37 years before the Weyland-Yutani Corporation (which also appears in *Prometheus*, simply as The Weyland Corporation) sent the commercial towing spaceship *Nostromo* on its fateful trip from *Thedus* to Earth in *Alien*.

Next, while the Xeno-

morphs may not appear in the acid-spitting form we're used to — "The sequels squeezed him dry," Scott says, "no way am I going back there" — they aren't completely absent. Artist H.R. Giger, who created the beasts in the first film, was brought back to "reverse-engineer the design of the Aliens in the film" to create a Xenomorph forbearer.

Also, Michael Fassbender plays David 8, a synthetic human automaton ancestor of *Alien's* Ash.

Further evidence came in a trailer that shows star Noomi Rapace standing in front of two unworn Space Jockey

suits, suits which will soon be donned, perhaps, by the hapless space jockey seen in *Alien*.

Finally Scott promises a scene to equal the horror of *Alien's* "chest-burster" mind-blower, in which an alien parasite exploded out of John Hurt's torso. It's an iconic moment that no prequel could be without, right?

"There is a scene that could be called the equivalent of that in this film," Scott admits.

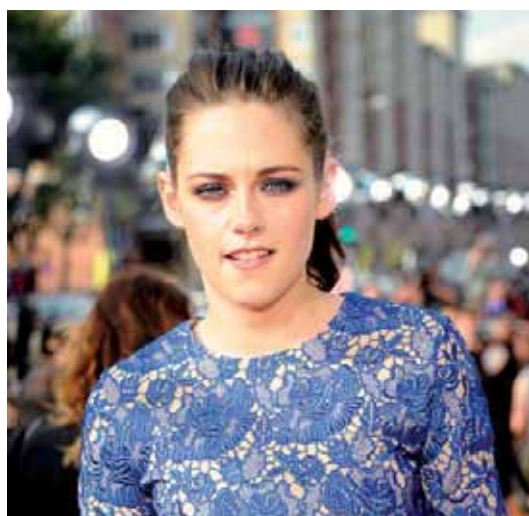
Even though the prequel debate rages on, the one thing nobody is questioning is how exciting it is to have Ridley Scott back in the sci-fi genre after a 33-year gap.

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Kristen Stewart dishes on fame

Kristen Stewart has gotten used to life in the spotlight, but she still remembers the day it all started, right around the release of the first *Twilight* movie. "You can Google my name and one of the first things that comes up is images of me sitting on my front porch smoking a pipe with my ex-boyfriend and my dog. It was taken

the day the movie came out. I was no one. I was a kid. I had just turned 18," Stewart tells *Vanity Fair*. "The next day it was like I was a delinquent slimy idiot, whereas I'm kind of a weirdo, creative Valley Girl who smokes pot. Big deal. But that changed my daily life instantly. I didn't go out in my underwear anymore."

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OUR TAKE ON THE WORLD OF CELEBRITIES

Jason Alexander apologizes for 'gay game' remark

Former *Seinfeld* star Jason Alexander is offering an apology for his comments about cricket, which he called "a gay game" during an interview with *Craig Ferguson*. "A few of my Twitter followers made me aware that they were both gay and offended by the joke. And truthfully, I could not understand why," Alexander posted to Twitter. "And the worst part is, I should know better. My daily life is filled with gay men and women, both socially and professionally. I am profoundly aware of

the challenges these friends of mine face and I have openly advocated on their behalf. So, I can only apologize and I do."



Quoted

"I should know better. My daily life is filled with gay men and women, both socially and professionally."

Jason Alexander



Will Kopelman and Drew Barrymore

First comes love, then comes marriage. . .

During his wedding to Drew Barrymore, Will Kopelman took a moment to acknowledge that their family is about to expand, according to *Us Weekly*.

"Everyone knows the baby's coming, so there wasn't much talk about it," a source says of Barrymore's pregnancy.

"Will said something

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"Everyone knows the baby is coming, so there wasn't much talk about it." Source

like, 'I'm excited to marry you. I'm excited to meet the newest member of our family.'

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Travel in brief

App to keep travellers healthy

A new app might prove useful to Canadians heading out on a road trip this summer and seeking timely health-related information along the way. The free app for Apple devices offers up-to-date details on public health and environmental advisories across the country, says its developer Health & Safety Watch Inc. "Everything can change very rapidly — for example a destination that had safe drinking water when you left on your road trip may actually be under a boil water advisory by the time you arrive," says Jeff Aramini, company president and a former Health Canada senior public health epidemiologist.

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On the web



Gerhard Richter, among world's top-selling artists, opens his biggest exhibit to date in Paris

Whether you're a fan of The Lion King, Pocahontas, everything Disney has ever made or nothing at all, Disneyland has attractions as tailor-made as Cinderella's glass slipper. Between the options at Disneyland and California Adventure, both in Anaheim, Calif., there is enough variety to entertain even the most skeptical of adult visitors.

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For the sci-fi fan

Fly through the stars at Space Mountain. For nearly three minutes, the rollercoaster hurtles, corkscrews and twists its way through the indoor track, lit only by the stars as you soar through the darkness of space. Built in 1977, this timeless coaster is a cornerstone of Disneyland's futuristic — and kitschy — Tomorrowland. A stone's throw from Space Mountain is Star Tours: The Adventures Continue, a technological world away from Space Mountain. This 3D ride, guided by C-3PO, allows you to be a space tourist.

For the film enthusiast

Now referred to as a "tribute" to Michael Jackson, Captain EO is still being screened at Disneyland. The 3D film was directed by Francis Ford Coppola and features Jackson using song and dance to transform the evil Supreme Leader into a beautiful woman — played by Angelica Houston.

Located near the entrance of California Adventure, Soarin' Over California takes its audience on a high-flying tour of the state — from the coast to the mountains. A cantilever lifts the seated audience into the air and into a concave video screen that makes you feel like you are flying high above some of the state's best-known features.



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Disneyland experiences

For the happily spooked

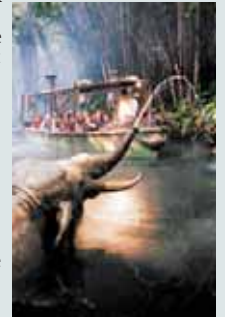
It's not very scary, but the Haunted Mansion can still attract a crowd. Sitting in Doom Buggies, you are taken on a tour of the mansion and introduced to some of the scary spectres that call the old plantation house home.

For a modern scare, It's Tough to be a Bug gives you an up-close look at the creepy, crawly characters that live all around us. Not only is the show in 3D thanks to the Bug Eyes provided, but it also features stinky smells, spraying water, and seats wired to give you a creepy-crawling feeling that the bugs are too close for comfort.



For the wannabe sailor

One of the park's oldest attractions, the Jungle Cruise in Adventureland, takes you on a boat tour of a reptile-filled river. The cruise is led by a Disney cast member, who provides commentary as your steamer passes by animatronic elephants, snakes and monkeys. Pirates of the Caribbean, another original attraction, got an update just as the hit films came out. This ride features appearances by Captain Jack Sparrow and other characters you'll recognize from the movie.



For the kid at heart

No trip to Disneyland is complete without a visit to it's a Small World — the much lauded animatronics-filled boat ride through the cultures of the world. Warning: You will have the song stuck on continuing loop for the remainder of your trip.

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Toy Story Midway Mania. The 4D ride features spinning vehicles that take you from one screen to another. At each stop you try to hit Toy Story-related targets that pop up on the screens.



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Folklorama dwarfs other festivals of its kind, filling community centres, school gyms and large convention halls throughout the city for two weeks every summer.

Sure, there are similar festivals — the Heritage Festival in Edmonton and the Multicultural Festival in Halifax are two examples, both of which stage their events in a single location.

But Folklorama is the granddaddy of them all — 46 pavilions, half of which open from Aug. 5-11 this year, the others from Aug. 12-18. Its sheer size attracts tourists from around the globe.

"We've had (tourist) groups from Paraguay, from Japan, we get them from all over North America ... Texas, New Jersey, California," said Murray Greenfield, who, as Folklorama's director of tourism, helps visiting tour groups plan their stay.

"We had a group for about four years running from Iceland."

The festival is a reflection of the diversity upon which Winnipeg prides itself.

The city grew up around the junction of the Red and



Dancers at the Brazilian Carnival pavilion entertain visitors at Folklorama. LANCE THOMSON/THE CANADIAN PRESS

Assiniboine rivers, which was a gathering place for aboriginals. French-speaking voyageurs and British settlers were among the early arrivals.

They were followed by Ukrainians, Germans and other Europeans who settled in the bustling city or on farms across southern Manitoba. More recently, Winnipeg has seen a growing influx of immigrants from the Philippines and other Asian countries.

Local community groups that represent each of these cultures, and many more, are in charge of each pavilion. They feed and entertain thousands of visitors a night at each location, thanks to an army of more than 20,000 volunteers.

All of which can create a conundrum for festivalgoers: How to take it all in, or at least as much as possible, on any given night.

If you want to sample

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some spicy food and samba at the Brazilian pavilion downtown, will you also have time to take in a musical play at the Italian pavilion in the western suburbs?

What about the borscht at the Ukrainian pavilion to the north?

"I go based on what personally interests me in the culture" said Cristina Poepl, a Winnipeg resident who has attended Folklorama 10 times.

"Maybe it's a culture that I want to learn more about, or I really like that type of food."

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Day One

Morning: Begin your day with a visit to the Ferry Building Market Place and Farmers Market. Grab a latte at Peet's Coffee and Tea and take a walk along the waterfront before stopping at Scharffen Berger Chocolate Maker to pick up one of their signature 70 per cent bittersweet chocolate bars. Follow it up with a trip to Pier 39 and Fisherman's Wharf, and watch sea lions sun themselves. Or grab tickets for a boat tour of the harbour or trip to Alcatraz, the historic prison located a few hundred meters off shore. fishermanswharf.org

Afternoon: Have lunch on the outdoor patio of Café Flore, located on Market Street in the Castro area. Spend the afternoon visiting the historic community, once home to Harvey Milk, the first openly gay man elected to public office. From there, visit Haight-Ashbury, ground central of the 1967 Summer of Love, before heading to the de Young Museum in Golden Gate Park, which is currently featuring an exhibit on Jean Paul Gaultier, and is also home to an observatory tower with panoramic views of the city. deyoung.famsf.org

Evening: Enjoy a Remember the Maine cocktail at The Burritt Room, located inside the Mystic Hotel by Charlie Palmer. The 79-room boutique hotel recently opened near Union Square, and its film noir-inspired bar and restaurant features hand-crafted signature drinks. The Burritt also provides room service to the guests of the black, white and red-decorated hotel. charliepalmer.com



Day Two

Morning: Opened in 2009, the Walt Disney Family Museum offers a behind-the-scenes look at the man responsible for some of the world's most cherished family films. The well-laid out museum includes exhibits on the Disney family, the inspiration behind Walt's creations, and a look at his legacy. You'll even learn about the Disney family's Canadian connection: they used to have a homestead in the Goderich-Ont., area. disney.go.com

Afternoon: The museum is located in the Presidio, an area of the city that was once a military installation but is now being developed commercially and residentially. It's home to Crissy Field, an environmental education centre, and the Golden Gate Bridge. To mark the bridge's 75th anniversary, a brand new pavilion has been built to house a gift shop and interpretive exhibits. There's also a green screen photo area, where visitors can have their photo taken and superimposed on a part of the bridge usually off-limits to the public. goldengatebridge.org

Evening: Enjoy a meal at trendy Urban Tavern, located in the Hilton San Francisco Union Square. The gastro pub is popular with visitors to the city and locals alike. Be sure to check out the full-size horse sculpture near the centre of the restaurant. A local artist who welded together tractor, motorcycle and automobile parts made it. urbantavernsf.com



Day Three

Morning: Spend your morning in Muir Woods National Monument where you can stroll along paths lined by centuries-old redwoods. Located on the northern side of the harbour, you can either rent a car and drive the winding path to the park, or jump on one of the tour buses that travel from San Francisco to the woods — like popular Extranominal Tours. Head out in the morning to beat the crowds and watch as the sun rises higher in the sky, causing water to steam off the wooden paths and buildings. extranominal.com

Afternoon: From the park, drive to the Sonoma and Napa valleys, where you can tour a number of the wineries and taste some of their vintages before buying a bottle or two. Make sure to have lunch at The Girl and the Fig in Sonoma. Its gastronomical creations are made using local ingredients, and for a light lunch try a plate of local artisan cheeses paired with a bottle of wine. thegirlandthefig.com

Evening: End your stay in San Francisco with a visit to the historic Westin St. Francis, one of the oldest hotels in the city. Located in Union Square, the hotel is home to Chateau Montelena tasting room, where you can enjoy a glass of Sauvignon Blanc before dining at Michael Mina's Bourbon Steakhouse — also located in the St. Francis. westinstfrancis.com

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Roy Lichtenstein's widow Dorothy says she hopes the exhibit will show people the diversity of her late husband's work. CARYN ROUSSEAU/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS



Lichtenstein's Keds is part of the exhibit that's touring this summer. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

There's more to Lichtenstein than a few cartoon frames

Retrospective. Famed pop artist's work featured this summer in a travelling exhibit

Nearly 15 years after his death, fans of pop artist Roy Lichtenstein can take in a comprehensive exhibition at the Art Institute of Chicago that spans his famous cartoons from the 1960s to more muted Asian-inspired works from the 1990s.

The exhibit opens with the 1961 work *Look Mickey, I've Hooked a Big One!!* The piece, a riff on Mickey Mouse and Donald Duck in bright blue, red and yellow, is considered a landmark that helped transform the perception of commercial art into fine art, while placing Lichtenstein, along with Andy Warhol, at the forefront of the Pop Art movement.

Roy Lichtenstein: A Retrospective is the "first major retrospective to broadly examine his art since his death," according to the museum. The exhibition includes nearly 170 paintings, sculptures and drawings done between 1950 and his death in 1997, aged 73.

It opened in May and will stay in Chicago through Sept. 3. It will travel to Washington, London and Paris over the next year. The works include established, well-known pieces as well as pictures that have rarely been seen. Among them are Lichtenstein's interpretations of everyday objects: a ball of twine, a hot dog or a wedding ring.

"Roy was able to transform them and show them to us again in a new way," said James Rondeau, the exhibit's co-



Lichtenstein's *Look Mickey, I've Hooked a Big One!!* opens the exhibit. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

curator. "He was able to show us something new about the world in which we live."

Over the years, Lichtenstein also did paintings of mirrors, of brush strokes, of interiors, re-interpretations of works by Picasso, Mondrian, Leger, Monet and Cezanne. Meanwhile, his originals sold for millions. Many of the works feature signature bold black outlines and use of Ben-Day dots, the small coloured dots used in comic books, named for printer Benjamin Henry Day.

Lichtenstein reproduced the dots used in comic strips by laying a metal screen over his canvas, spreading paint with a roller and rubbing it in with a toothbrush.

Jack Cowart, executive director of The Roy Lichtenstein Foundation, said the retrospective exposes the intricacy of Lichtenstein's art. "This is all about a career that is much more complex than people would have thought previously," Cowart said.

Lichtenstein's widow, Dorothy Lichtenstein said she

wants the show to give people a broader appreciation for her late husband's work.

"I hope people come away realizing that he did more than some cartoon frames," Lichtenstein said.

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- "A parent came by my desk and told me that he expected his daughter to get preference for a position since he was a manager at the company."

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The interview you have with your child about their internship may be just as important as the one they'll secure because of the unpaid role. ISTOCK

internships, although daunting at first, can be an extremely beneficial (and integral) step in your child's career path.

Stephanie Reid, an executive assistant at BlueCat Networks and mother of two unpaid interns, once had her own hesitations about the working-for-free lifestyle. However, as her two children gained invaluable work experience and turned their internships into

success stories, she realized the value of the unpaid internship.

"It's not the same if an intern is doing solitary photocopying all day and thus not learning anything or meeting people," she says. Luckily both of her children interned at organizations related to their own career aspirations.

"I know we are very lucky to be able to do this," Reid says.

"If I knew what I know now, I would have suggested to my kids and all of their friends that they start putting money aside for an opportunity like this as soon as they enter high school, even."

Reid offers the following tips and advice to fellow parents struggling with the idea of their child embarking upon an unpaid position:

- Evaluate the internship. Internships are beneficial only if your child is learning career-related skills, making industry connections and utilizing the education they have.
- Internships can show your child what they actually want to do. "After hearing about how many kids change course, I guess the main thing I was hoping for was confirmation that they were on the right track at school — or not — and getting the chance to fix that quickly," Reid adds.
- Set a timeline. Agree with your child that you'll re-evaluate how things are going in four months, for example, to ensure that they are benefiting from their internship and, if they aren't, to begin

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They are really glad I am getting the experience while completing my degree.

@ShabShah

my parents are quite happy I got a great co-op (especially my mom b/c I'm living at home -

she has extra help around the house!)

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My parents believe that summer jobs/internships/co-op positions aren't helpful for finding my career job

@Roshan_Singh

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my parents are very excited that I'm moving to Moscow to experience a new culture and get experience abroad.

@tricia_bernardo

my parents don't fully understand what I do for my summer job, they're just glad it's close to home and that I love it!

exploring new paths.

• Encourage your child to secure extra hours at their paid, part-time jobs in order to compensate for the money they aren't making while interning.

• Accept that things take time. Reid's son found his three-month internship extended for another three months and, after discussing the dif-

ficulties of continuing down the unpaid path, both realized that three months isn't necessarily long enough to prove yourself to an employer.

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My recipe for a romantic picnic? A roasted chicken with sandwich trimmings.

Roll with me on this one. It's easy and totally appropriate.

You start out by following my couldn't-be-easier recipe for cast-iron skillet roasted whole chicken.

The gist is that you split the bird at the backbone (technically called spatch-cocking, but that just seems inappropriate in this context), sear it breast side down on the stovetop, then flip the bird and finish it in the oven.

When the chicken is cooked, you let it cool, then you cover it and refrigerate it right from the pan. You even can do the roasting the night before.

Instructions:

1. Heat the oven to 425 F.
2. Place the chicken on the cutting board breast side down.

Use sturdy kitchen shears to cut down the length of the spine on both sides. Discard the spine.

Put this in your picnic basket (sans cast-iron skillet, of course)



A four-pound chicken should provide enough meat for eight sandwiches. MATTHEW MEAD/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

Turn the bird breast side up. Gripping the 2 cut sides where the spine used to be, open up the bird, pressing

down firmly at the centre to flatten it.

3. In a small bowl, mix

together the salt, garlic powder, thyme and pepper. Rub the mixture evenly over the entire chicken.

4. Set a large cast-iron skillet on a burner over medium-high. When the skillet is hot, add the chicken breast side down. Let the chicken brown for 5 minutes, then use tongs to carefully flip the bird so the breast side is up. Set the skillet in the oven and roast for 30 to 40 minutes, or until the thickest part reaches 165 F.

5. Remove the chicken from the oven. Either serve immediately or let cool and refrigerate for use in a picnic as described above.

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Ingredients

This recipe also works for a weeknight dinner. The chicken comes out terrifically moist and tender. And because the chicken is flattened before it is cooked, it is finished much faster than traditional roasting methods. Here's what you'll need:

- 4-pound whole chicken
- 1 tablespoon kosher salt
- 1 tablespoon garlic powder
- 1/2 tablespoon dried thyme
- 1/2 tablespoon ground black pepper
- Prep time from start to finish. 50 minutes (10 minutes active). Serves 8.

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SPORTS

NHL

"I'm certainly a better coach now than I was 10 or 15 years ago. I learned a lot about myself. I learned a lot about the game, too."

Michel Therrien, who said he believes he will be a better, wiser coach than he was in his first stint behind the Montreal Canadiens bench. New general manager Marc Bergevin named Therrien as head coach on Tuesday. Therrien took over behind the Habs bench during the 2000-01 season and left midway through 2002-03. Since then, Therrien has coached in the AHL, reached a Stanley Cup final with the Pittsburgh Penguins, done pro scouting and, most recently, worked as a Canadiens television analyst.

Soccer

Euro money stacks up to World Cup's

The European Championship begins Friday, boasting the numbers to back its reputation as one of the world's elite sporting events. UEFA will earn commercial revenues of at least \$1.6 billion US for the 16-team tournament in Poland and Ukraine, rivaling FIFA's 32-nation World Cup for average match value. With each match expected to draw an average television audience of 150-million fans worldwide, Euro 2012 will bring a near-daily diet of ratings bigger than the Super Bowl.

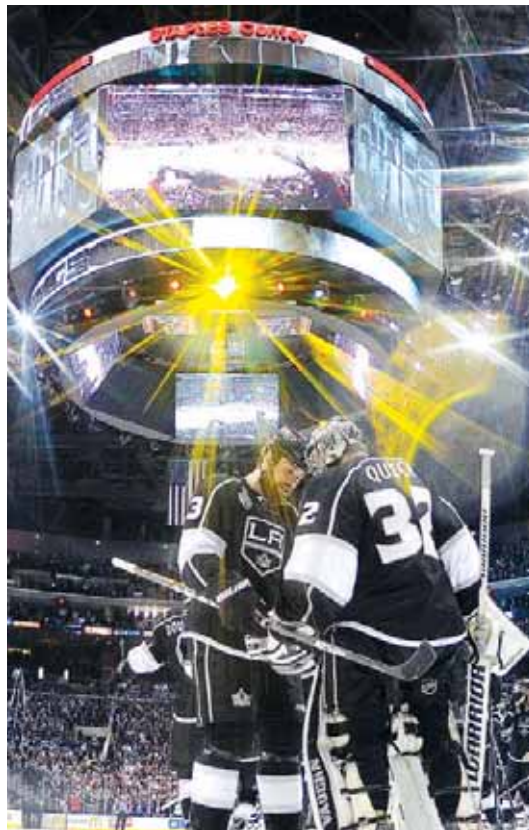
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On the web



Fresh off his first national championship with Kentucky, John Calipari is coaching the Dominican Republic basketball team in an attempt to qualify for the Olympics this summer. Scan the code for the story.

'Playing on another planet'



Kings defenceman Willie Mitchell congratulates goalie Jonathan Quick after Game 3 on Monday in Los Angeles. HARRY HOW/THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

NHL. Quick likely to run away with Conn Smythe Trophy after historic post-season for Kings

Jonathan Quick has set the bar so high for himself, his Los Angeles Kings teammates can barely see it.

"He's playing on another planet," forward Jarret Stoll said Tuesday. "That's what he expects."

The 26-year-old American has put together a post-season that is taking on historical proportions. As the Kings enter Wednesday's Game 4 against New Jersey with a chance to win the Stanley Cup, Quick sat poised to post some of the best playoff statistics in NHL history.

In the process, he's completely eliminated any debate there might be about who deserves to take home the Conn Smythe Trophy as playoff MVP.

"In these playoffs, every game he's been on," said Hockey Hall of Famer Luc Robitaille,

the Kings' president of business operations. "He's been very, very special."

The Devils have been unable to find a way to solve him. As one-sided as the Stanley Cup final seems right now, it likely wouldn't have looked that way if not for the performance of Quick.

He's been particularly sharp early in games during this series, giving the Kings a chance to get more comfortable while planting seeds of doubt in the minds of Devils players.

"We're creating as many chances this round as we had against the Rangers the prior round — we're not finishing," said Devils coach Pete DeBoer. "He's played very well.... We've never been able to grab momentum, (score the) first goal, at a critical time."

Added veteran Devils goalie Martin Brodeur: "We've got to find ways to score."

Quick has been a cornerstone for the Kings for three seasons, but this is the first one where he's commanded national attention. A little shy and short with answers, he comes across as someone who wouldn't mind getting his anonymity back.

But that's unlikely now that he has a chance to match Tim Thomas' trophy haul of a year ago by winning the Stanley Cup, Conn Smythe and the Vezina Trophy as the NHL's top goalie.

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By the numbers

.950

Jonathan Quick's .950 save percentage in the playoffs would rank him first all-time and his 1.36 goals-against average would be better than any goaltender in the last 52 years.

Brown-Parise

Cup captains show further growth in U.S.

It has happened only once in NHL history, but it will definitely happen again: An American captain will hoist the Stanley Cup.

Whether it's the Kings' Dustin Brown of Ithaca, N.Y., or Zach Parise of Minneapolis doing it in the event of a New Jersey comeback, it's a sign of the rise of American hockey.

"It's one more statement about the particular development of our sport and our program in America," said Dave Ogrean, executive director of USA Hockey.

Parise and Brown were both 14 years old when Derian Hatcher, of Sterling Heights, Mich., led the Dallas Stars to the Stanley Cup over the Buffalo Sabres in 1999. **TORSTAR NEWS SERVICE**



Dustin Brown and Zach Parise
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Geathers vying to earn spot again with Lions

Two years after suffering a major knee injury, Jeremy Geathers is back with the B.C. Lions trying to earn one of the few available jobs.

Geathers was on the Lions' 2010 roster, but he suffered torn anterior cruciate and medial collateral ligaments on punt-return coverage in his first game.

It took the 25-year-old New Orleans native a full year to recover after he underwent surgery that included replacing his ACL with part of his hamstring.

He still almost did not make it to training camp with the Grey Cup champions after recovering sufficiently.

The Lions released him prior to their 2011 training camp. He took the release "real personal" because he had worked extremely hard to rehabilitate the knee and still had a year to go on his contract.

Then he balked at B.C.'s new two-year contract offer last July and wound up back in the Arena Football League, playing second stints with the Chicago Rush and Spokane Shock.

"I wanted more money," Geathers said. "I wanted one year. I wasn't thinking straight at the time. I missed my blessing. I'm just glad that they offered me (a contract) again."

So far, coach Mike Benevides



Jeremy Geathers GETTY IMAGES FILE

likes what he has seen from Geathers. The coach said Geathers' biggest advantage is

his speed off the snap, but he still wants the lineman to show more creativity.

Geathers is in position to earn one of two defensive-line spots vacated by Brent Johnson's retirement and defensive tackle Aaron Hunt's free-agent departure to the Montreal Alouettes.

"What Jeremy's got to do now is adjust and add to his repertoire — inside moves, outside moves, those type of things," Benevides said. "He's done a real nice job (of recovery) and I'm quite impressed with where he's at.... He's a guy that wants this badly."

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Football family

Geathers' return to B.C. meant delaying an NFL dream that runs in his blood.

- His father Jumpy Geathers played 12 seasons as a defensive end with New Orleans, Washington, Atlanta and Denver.
- An uncle is a former Buffalo Bills. Cousins Robert Geathers Jr. (Dallas Cowboys) and Clifton Geathers (Cincinnati Bengals) are also with NFL clubs.

NHL

Cloutier added to Flames' staff

Jacques Cloutier has joined the Calgary Flames coaching staff as Bob Hartley's assistant. The former Quebec Nordiques goalie was Hartley's assistant last season with the Zurich Lions of the Swiss elite league.

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NBA

Garnett, Pierce put Celtics on brink of finals

Kevin Garnett finished with 26 points and 11 rebounds, Paul Pierce hit a three-pointer over LeBron James in the final minute, and the Boston Celtics moved one win away from an Eastern Conference



Celtics forward Kevin Garnett, left, fouls Chris Bosh on Tuesday in Miami. THE ASSOCIATED PRESS

title by beating the Miami Heat 94-90 on Tuesday night. **THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

French Open

Djokovic survives Tsonga to advance

Top-seeded Novak Djokovic overcame four match points, and a wildly partisan crowd, for a 6-1, 5-7, 5-7, 7-6 (6), 6-1 victory over France's Jo-Wilfried Tsonga Tuesday to advance to the French Open men's semifinals.

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NBA



"I think we have the right game plan. We just need to play a little better for a little longer."

Tim Duncan, whose Spurs trail the Thunder 3-2 in the Western Conference final after a 108-103 loss on Monday night.

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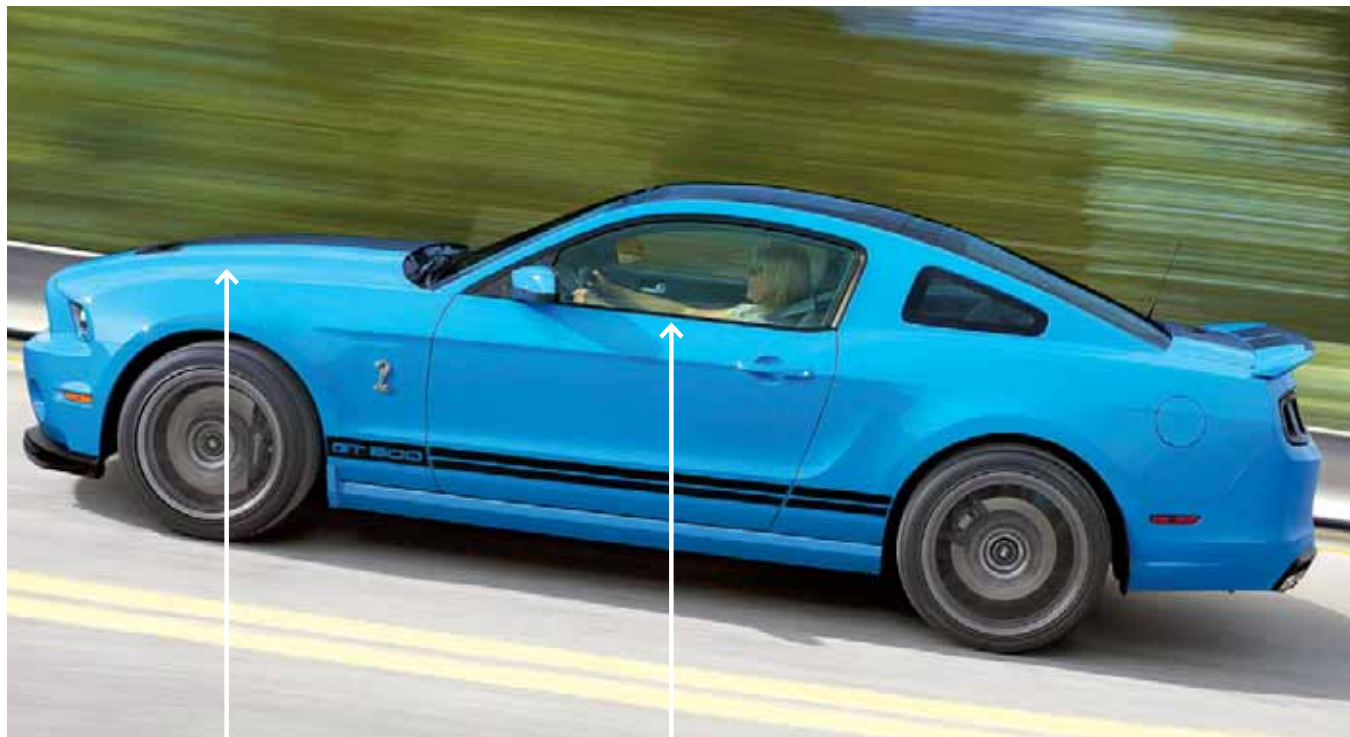
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Engines

On the powertrain front, the Mustang V6 and Boss 302 ratings are unchanged at 305 and 444 horsepower, respectively. However the V8-powered GT now makes 420 horsepower, up eight. In addition, the six-speed manual-transmission cars now have "hill start assist" that prevents the vehicle from rolling backward on an incline.



2013 Mustangs receive a new hood and a larger grille.

Interior

The interior remains a familiar spot, unless you select the newly optional cloth or leather-covered Recaro-brand sport-seat option that provides significant support when cornering. Also available is a Track Apps dashboard information screen that shows cornering g-forces, acceleration times and braking intervals.

2013 Ford Mustang

- **Type.** Two-door, rear-wheel-drive sport coupe/convertible.
- **Engines (hp):** 3.7-litre DOHC V6 (305); 5.0-litre DOHC V8 (420/444); 5.8-litre DOHC V8, supercharged (662).
- **Base Price (incl. destination):** \$25,500.

Wide price range

Naturally, Mustangs feature something for every budget, beginning at \$25,500 for the base V6 coupe and \$32,500 for the convertible, ranging all the way up to \$63,200 for the Shelby GT 500 coupe (\$68,200 for the soft top).

Review. Ford pokes and prods its pony to perfection

MALCOLM GUNN

Wheelbase Media

During the 1950s and early 1960s, there were dramatic year-over-year changes in North American automobile design. Back then it was referred to as "planned obsolescence." Now, more than 50 years later, Ford has seemingly revived this pattern with the Mustang.

The rapidity of renewal with the original ponycar is understandable ... sort of. Without question, General Motors' Chevrolet division has painted a giant bulls eye on the Mustang's hindquarters and is taking direct aim by drawing the latest Camaro from its quiver. It's a game of automotive one-upmanship that shows no signs of abating.

The Camaro has been a burr in the Mustang's saddle ever

since the latest edition arrived for the 2010 model year. As it stands now, the Camaro holds a slight sales lead and has recently bolstered its position with the Corvette-powered 580-horsepower ZL1 model.

The response from Ford is predictable and formidable. As of right now you can order a 2013 Mustang-based Shelby GT500 with a cranium-snapping 662 horsepower. The extra 112-horse punch is delivered by a new supercharged 5.8-litre V8 that replaces the previous 550-horsepower 5.4-litre thoroughbred. Carroll Shelby, who died May 11 at age 89, has his name on the most powerful production Mustang of all time.

In fact, the non-partisan Society of Automotive Engineers determined that the new GT500 has the world's most potent production-spec V8, giving Ford significant bragging rights while it awaits Chevy's response. Where it will eventually wind up is anyone's guess, but for now enthusiasts from Comox to Come By Chance are predictably in awe of the power parade.



The GT500's new supercharged 5.8-litre V8 belts out 662 horsepower. Ford proclaims it's the most powerful production V8 on the market.



The tail lights of the 2013 Mustangs are looped with LED "ropes".

By comparison



1 Chevrolet Camaro
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2 Dodge Challenger
Base price: \$28,500



3 Hyundai Genesis Coupe
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Top Gear

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Admittedly the process is not for the faint of heart, but once the job is completed, you're ready to prime and paint. You can purchase this product at many department or automotive-specialty stores, or from a number of online sites such as amazon.com for \$15-\$18 US. You can also check out the complete line of 3M/Bondo car care products at 3Mcarcare.com.

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On the Web



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Amphicars go wild at annual Fleetwood Country Cruize-in

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The Fleetwood Country Cruize-in is one of the coolest and largest automotive related extravaganzas in the country. Held every first weekend of June on the fabulous estate of Steve Plunkett, located just outside London, Ont., it's a classic car cruise-in, custom car show, charity event, and rock 'n' roll festival all rolled into one.

Unlike past years, the weather has been rotten at this year's show. At times the rains came down in biblical proportions. Plunkett figured the extra water scared off about a third of the show's usual 1,000-plus classic car turnout.

There is one breed of classic car, however, not deterred by water — the Amphicar. In fact, it was born to swim. A clutch of them always turn out for the Fleetwood bash, and this year was no exception. As usual, their owners were giving out "swims" for charity in Plunkett's sizeable pond.

"They're terrible as a car, and terrible as a boat," Ina Cabanas tells me, as she's about to give me and Diane a ride/swim in her beautifully restored Amphicar, which she trailed from her New Jersey home. After I get in and close the passenger door, her husband, Bob, activates a second pull handle at each door, to squeeze them further against the rubber seals — our last line of defense between us and the fishes.



Yes folks, that is a car. And it's driving in the water. At bottom right, Ina Cabanas and her husband Bob, owners of an Amphicar, are pictured. CONTRIBUTED



Well after the doors are properly latched, Ina just heads for the pond and "drives" in. One moment we're motoring along on grass and the next we're floating around the pond with all the other Amphicars.

Pretty cool. It's windy and with several "cars" in the water, Ina has her hands full trying to negotiate around the pond, which seems smaller once you're in it. A separate transmission engages the



engine to the two propellers. It "steers" in water the same way it steers on land — via the steering wheel and its two front wheels.

Sure, a tiller and a rudder would work better in water,

but nobody's going to use an Amphicar for sea crossings ... OK, maybe some people have made a few, like England to France (three times), Africa to Spain, and San Diego to Catalina Island, but they were prob-

Amphicar points

- 43-hp rear-mounted Triumph engine.
- Built in West Germany between 1962 and 1967.
- Highest rear fins of any production car.
- About 4,000 built, about 2,000 left.
- Prone to rust (imagine that).
- Capable of 70 m.p.h. on land, 8 knots on water.
- Requires both vehicle and boat licenses.
- Owner gatherings called "Swim Ins."
- \$50K-plus for fully-restored examples.

ably above-average swimmers.

Getting out of the pond is equally quick and simple. Ina gets the revs up and "drives" out. As we wheel back around the pond, the on-board bilge pump is still pumping away. So while the Amphicar is designed to float, it's not entirely leak proof. I ask Ina where most of the water comes in.

"Everywhere," she says.

Ina adds that Amphicar wasn't in business long enough to "perfect the initial imperfections."

Not surprisingly, Amphicars require more than the average amount of maintenance and TLC to keep them road-worthy and seaworthy.

But there is no shortage of enthusiasts, like Ina, willing to do their part, in keeping this special, amphibious species viable and alive, and fun to be around.



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A real-life timeline of photos, snapped by Justin Pritchard in his test Jetta, reveals some impressive mileage figures.

Once you go diesel, you might not go back

Review. Still sitting on the fence about hybrids? The Jetta TDI and its supreme fuel economy offers an enticing alternative

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Unless you like shovelling heaps of your hard-earned cash into the registers at local gas stations, the Volkswagen Jetta TDI is a car you need to test-drive.

Big thing about the Jetta TDI? It's a diesel. Diesel has about 30 per cent more energy per unit than gasoline — meaning the Jetta's TDI four-cylinder engine creates 140 horsepower and a robust 236 pounds of torque from just two litres of displacement and a turbocharger.

Diesel engines generate lots of torque — which is the all-important figure when it comes to getting things moving. That's why most trains and transports drink diesel fuel.

Sure, the Jetta TDI will never haul a transport trailer or skid off roofing shingles, but its powerplant boasts exceptional mileage alongside a power-band that's meatier than a bag full of Baconators.

Diesel makes heaps of sense if you aren't quite sold on a hybrid. What if the hybrid drive motor conks out, outside of warranty? Will that hybrid battery do its job at -40 C when you return to the Park 'N Fly with a suitcase full of Dominican rum? None of these are concerns faced by TDI owners.

And unlike days gone by, the new breed of TDI diesel

2012 Volkswagen Jetta TDI

- **Engine:** 2.0-litre TDI Clean Diesel, 140 horsepower.
- **Drivetrain:** Front-wheel drive.
- **Observed Average Mileage:** 6.9 L/100 km
- **Transmission:** 6-speed DSG.
- **Features:** Fender Audio System, Bluetooth, heated leather, sunroof.
- **What's Hot:** Great mileage, refined and quiet powertrain, generous trunk, comfortable and sporty.
- **What's Not:** Low-budget interior feel, no proper armrest.
- **Starting Price:** \$27,175 (Jetta TDI Highline).

engines run clean as a whistle. There's no smell, no soot and no smoke. The tester's powerplant was as quiet, smooth and refined as anything comparable running on gasoline — if not more so.

The tester also ran Volkswagen's dual-clutch Direct Shift Gearbox or DSG transmission, which shifts precisely, at lightning speed, and so smoothly you'd never feel a thing. Performance and fuel mileage are enhanced with this gearbox.

I watched delightedly as my fuel gauge took 180 kilometres to drop from 'full' and racked up some 500 clicks before reaching the 'half' mark. It took just under 700 kilometres before the tank dropped below a quarter full. I only visited the gas station once during my week-long test, and I'm OK with that.



For a sedan that grabs attention with its fuel efficiency, the design is actually pretty nice as well. ALL PHOTOS BY JUSTIN PRITCHARD

Overall consumption landed at 6.9 L/100 km. With plenty of city driving, high-speed highway cruising and my lead foot, that isn't bad at all. And with all that torque, Jetta TDI rips along something fierce when you give it the boots.

You're not sacrificing performance here.

Extra points for the comfy

heated leather seats, potent Fender audio system and fantastic headlight performance at night.

Roominess for four adults is adequate, the trunk is generous, and there's plenty of at-hand storage, too.

The ride and handling are also nicely set up: Jetta TDI is responsive, sporty, comfortable, refined and fairly quiet,

all at the same time. The powertrain, steering, ride and suspension are all dialed in very nicely here.

My only major complaint dealt with the cabin, which has been 'cheapered' compared to the last-generation Jetta to facilitate a lower price tag.

It's assembled nicely and pleasing to look at, though

the abundance of hard plastics let things down a little when touching most surfaces.

At the end of the day, those in the market for an upscale, slightly sporty, very thrifty and highly refined fuel miser should be sure to give the Jetta TDI a whirl — alongside the Chevrolet Cruze Eco, Mazda 3 Skyactiv and Hyundai Sonata Blue Drive.

Azera offered slice of value and luxury

Second Gear.

2006 to 2009
Hyundai Azera

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Intended as a budget-minded luxury sedan to compete with the Toyota Solara, Lincoln MKZ and Chrysler 300, Hyundai's Azera was available in its last generation from model years 2006 to 2009 inclusive.

Bringing Hyundai's reputation for value into the luxury sedan scene, it featured automatic climate control, a rear seat sunshade, power leather heated seats, adjustable pedals, rain-sensing wipers, and an in-dash CD-changer.

Common Issues

Numerous drivers have reported alignment issues and short life from the factory tires. A full check of the front suspension, especially on earlier models, is advised — as is a check for signs of alignment problems. Inspect the Azera's dashboard for signs of cracking, especially around the passenger front airbag. Numerous reports of cracked dashboards have surfaced online. A similarly common problem is the rear sunshade. Ensure this motorized accessory works as expected.

Other issues deal with various interior accessories, door locks and door handles. End of the day, shoppers are advised to scrutinize their potential used Azera for signs of defect-ive or broken accessories.



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Engine

 Under the hood, a 3.8-litre V6 teamed up with a five-speed automatic transmission sent 263 horsepower to the front wheels. No other engines or transmissions were available.

What Owners Like

 Overall value, spaciousness, styling, ride quality and luxury bang-for-the-buck were highly rated attributes of the Azera. Owners also rate the stereo, performance, trunk size and fit and finish highly.

What Owners Dislike

 Complaints dealt with seat comfort, some squeaks and rattles as the car ages, poor night time interior illumination and a small trunk opening.

Verdict

Though some issues are present, the Azera's driveline looks solid and worry-free. A healthy Azera with a mechanical thumbs-up should provide a luxurious driving experience for shoppers on a budget.

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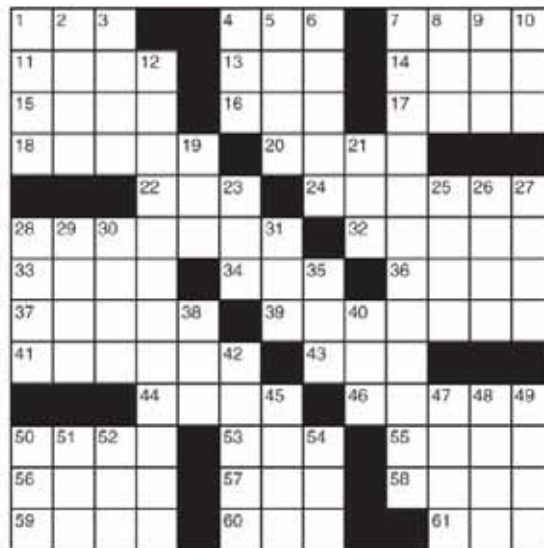
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4 Braying beast
7 Prejudice
11 "No ifs, ands, or —"
13 Spot on a domino
14 Aware of
15 Cornfield invader
16 — out a living
17 Individuals
18 Plant of the cashew family
20 Sentry's call
22 Wrigley product
24 Touchtone feature
28 No purebred
32 Isolated
33 Author James
34 Paving gunk
36 Greek vowel
37 Startle
39 Arrested
41 Liverpool's river
43 Luau side dish
44 Tiny branch
46 Medication measures
50 Leslie Caron role
53 Sprite
55 Troop group
56 Leif's father
57 Appomattox surrenderer
58 Ganges garment
59 Halloween face

60 Morning moisture
61 Apiece

Down

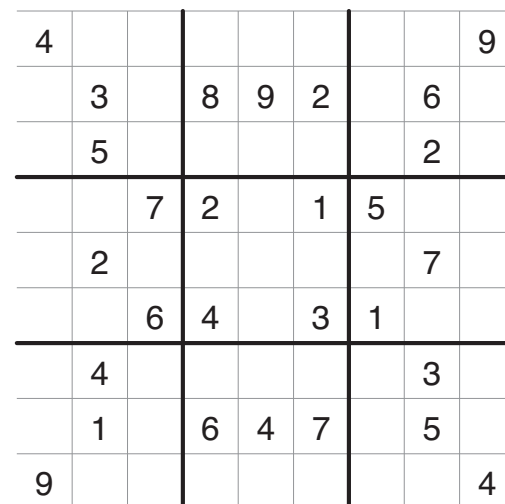
1 Basic learning
2 Mentor
3 Fermi's bit
4 Mimic
5 Monotheist of India
6 Orate
7 Destiny's Child song
8 Hostel
9 Noshed
10 "Mayday!"
12 Boastful officer's wand
19 Scoundrel
21 Meadow
23 Encountered
25 Milne bruin
26 Initial stake
27 Out of play
28 Sir's counterpart
29 Coquettish glance
30 In the neighbour-hood
31 Once around the track
35 Sartorial woe
38 Kitten's comment
40 Affirmative action?
42 Relinquish



45 Merriment
47 Break suddenly
48 Green land
49 Mix

50 Jewel
51 Savings acronym
52 USO audience
54 A handful

Sudoku



How to play

Fill in the grid, so that every row, every column and every 3x3 box contains the digits 1-9. There is no math involved. You solve the puzzle with reasoning and logic.

Yesterday's Sudoku

8	9	4	5	3	6	1	2	7
6	2	7	1	4	9	3	5	8
5	1	3	2	8	7	6	4	9
9	8	1	3	6	4	2	7	5
2	3	6	8	7	5	4	9	1
4	7	5	9	1	2	8	6	3
1	5	2	4	9	3	7	8	6
3	6	9	7	2	8	5	1	4
7	4	8	6	5	1	9	3	2

Yesterday's Crossword



Cryptoquip

How to play

This is a substitution cipher where one letter stands for another. Eg: If X equals O, it will equal O throughout the puzzle.

QH G UIV QY KCYPQEU SQY
OGKC HCCF PE G OGKKPPL
YCGF VPI LQUSF HQEM
VPIKYCAH G FPCM YFPPA
Yesterday's Cryptoquip: POSING SOPRANO
SILLS HAD MARRIED SINGER DON OR PHIL,
SHE'D BE NAMED BEVERLY EVERLY.
Today's Cryptoquip Clue: H equals F



For today's crossword answers and for expanded horoscopes, go to metronews.ca

Horoscope

♈ Aries | March 21 - April 20.

According to the planets you have been taking it easy and doing just enough to get by, but that must now change.

♉ Taurus | April 21 - May 21.

You may think you are a law unto yourself but even a Taurus has to toe the line occasionally and if you are smart you will tone down your act a bit over the next few days.

♊ Gemini | May 22 - June 20.

You will be pleasantly surprised how helpful people are today.

♋ Cancer | June 21 - July 22.

You may have some serious issues to deal with but that does not mean you cannot have fun.

♌ Leo | July 23 - Aug. 22.

Avoid petty arguments and focus your energy on things that really matter.

♍ Virgo | Aug. 23 - Sept. 22.

This will be one of those days when no matter how hard you try to get your head around what's going on you just can't make the connection.

♎ Libra | Sept. 23 - Oct. 22.

You need to be more adventurous. That applies to all areas of your life but especially to your work where you could miss out on a golden opportunity if you are afraid to take a risk.

♏ Scorpio | Oct. 23 - Nov. 21.

Try not to be so judgmental today. Remember that people are supposed to be different. Make an effort to get along with someone you would not usually want to hang out with.

♐ Sagittarius | Nov. 22 - Dec. 21.

You have serious duties to perform but you must also make time

for the lighter side of life.

♑ Capricorn | Dec. 22 - Jan. 20.

Things are rarely as bad as they seem, so throw yourself into a task you enjoy and before you know it you will have forgotten all about . . . well, whatever it was you were getting worked up about.

♒ Aquarius | Jan. 21 - Feb. 18.

You can sense that so much is possible. But don't get carried away, especially where romance is concerned. Head and heart must be balanced.

♓ Pisces | Feb. 19 - March 20.

Whatever good ideas you have today you are advised to do something with them quickly, because later in the week you may not have time to do them justice.

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